

### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the careful consideration given the present application. The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office action.

Claims 1–9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Yokoyama (EP 0 522 538 A2). Amended claim 1 requires “the portable telephone housing configured by a resin housing covering the rear surface of the printed circuit board and a metal housing covering the front surface of the printed circuit board and having a metal external surface forming an external surface of the portable telephone.” In Fig. 1, Yokoyama shows a plastic housing 32 containing a metal shielding case 33 within the plastic housing 32. In Fig. 2, Yokoyama shows plastic front 15a and rear 15b housings containing electrically conductive films 16a, 16b within the housings 15a, 15b. The plastic housings 32, 15a, 15b would provide plastic external surfaces and not a metal external surface forming an external surface of the portable telephone (as required by claim 1). The shielding case 33 and conductive films 16a, 16b are located within the plastic housings and, therefore, would also not provide the metal external surface forming an external surface of the portable telephone. Yokoyama further teaches metal connecting pieces 17a and 17b. The connecting pieces 17a, 17b are located within the plastic housing 16b and would not provide the metal external surface. Accordingly, Yokoyama does not teach any metal housing having *a metal external surface forming an external surface of the portable telephone*, as required by claim 1. Therefore, applicants submit that claim 1 is not anticipated by and is allowable over Yokoyama. Claims 2-4 and 9 depend from claim 1. The arguments provided above with respect to claim 1 also apply to claims 5-8.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the

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application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No.: NGB-32439.

Respectfully submitted,  
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